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Charleston Citywide Loan Services Director wins state award from the SBA

CHARLESTON – Patrick King is the 2007 SBA South Carolina Financial Services Champion of the Year. King is currently Loan Services Director for Charleston Citywide Local Development Corporation (LDC). The LDC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to business development in the Charleston area, which in turn promotes employment opportunities and enhances the community.

King has served the small business community for more than 19 years, including five years with the Charleston-area Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and two years with the SBA South Carolina District Office in Columbia. For the past nine years, he has been instrumental in expanding the LDC's small business lending services from the Charleston metropolitan area into the surrounding communities of Charleston, Dorchester, Berkeley and Colleton counties. King also regularly volunteers to give Small Business Financial Management seminars to clients of SCORE, the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and the South Carolina Women's Business Center (SCWBC).

King resides in Charleston. He was nominated by Ross Antholtz, Chair of the Coastal Chapter of SCORE, a resource partner of the SBA.

The SBA South Carolina District Office, in partnership with the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce and the South Carolina Coalition for Small Business and Entrepreneurship, is holding the awards ceremony at the Salute to Small Business on Wednesday, April 11 at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. Please call Susan Chavis at (803) 765-5373 for more information.

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